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A CONCURRENT RESOLUTION MOURNING THE LOSS AND COMMENDING THE LIFE AND PUBLIC SERVICE OF FORMER SENATOR ROBERT ANTHONY MONTY, FORMERLY OF GREENVILLE, MISSISSIPPI, AND EXPRESSING THE SYMPATHY OF THE LEGISLATURE ON HIS PASSING.

WHEREAS, the Legislature and the State of Mississippi lost a wonderful friend and colleague with the death of former State Senator Robert Anthony Monty (70) on August 16, 2015; and

WHEREAS, Senator Monty was born September 22, 1944, in St. Louis, Missouri. He served one term as a Mississippi State Senator representing the 23rd District from 1988-1992; and

WHEREAS, he graduated from St. Joseph High School in Greenville, Mississippi. Mr. Monty received his undergraduate degree from St. Bernard College in Cullman, Alabama. He further received his Jurist Doctor Degree from the Mississippi School of Law in Jackson, Mississippi; and

WHEREAS, former Senator Monty was the first Juvenile

Probation Officer to serve in Washington County, Mississippi. He
also served as a Probation/Parole Officer for the Mississippi

Department of Corrections. Robert was an expert in correctional matters and served as Vice Chairman of the Senate Corrections

Committee; Senate Highway and Transportation Committee, Vice

Chairman; County Affairs; Fees, Salaries and Administration;

Finance; Judiciary; Ports and Marine Resources; Veterans and

Military Affairs; and Wildlife and Fisheries. Mr. Monty owned and operated a private probation office known as Court Network in

Greenville, Mississippi. He was known for his quick wit,

generosity and his friendly personality; and

WHEREAS, Mr. Monty was a communicant of St. Joseph's Catholic Church in Greenville, Mississippi. He was an active participant of the Greenville Italian Club. Robert Monty was a lifetime member of the Knights of Columbus; and

WHEREAS, Senator Monty was the son of Will and Josephine
Monty. He has one sister, Dorothy Pellegrini of Modesto,
California. Mr. Monty is the father of three children: Tabatha
Monty Tillman (Robert Lee), Robert Van Monty, and Natalie
Christina Hodges (Mark). He also has a special nephew, Nolan Reed
Turner of Jackson, Mississippi; six grandchildren: Robert Mason
Monty, Alexis Tillman, Robert Van Monty, Brittany Tillman, Will
Hughes and Alan Hughes; and one great-grandchild, Joselyn
Robertson; and

WHEREAS, Robert Anthony Monty was a respected member of the Mississippi State Senate. He excelled in a variety of major responsibilities and served the Senate, his constituents,

colleagues and the State of Mississippi exceptionally well.

Robert's public service was exemplified by fairness and sound judgment, and he set the highest standard as a leader in the Mississippi Senate and as a true friend:

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED BY THE SENATE OF THE STATE OF MISSISSIPPI, THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES CONCURRING THEREIN, That we do hereby mourn the loss and commend the life and legacy of public service of former Senator Robert Anthony Monty, and express to his family the sympathy of the Legislature on his passing and our thanks for sharing Robert with us and with the State of Mississippi.

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED, That this resolution be presented to the family of former Senator Robert Anthony Monty and made available to the Capitol Press Corps.

ADOPTED BY THE SENATE January 21, 2016

PRESIDENT OF THE SENATE

ADOPTED BY THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES

January 26/1 2016

SPEAKER OF THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES